



The British Columbia Institute
of Power Engineers
Vancouver Branch – Meeting Minutes
To be approved at the April Meeting



Date:2017/03/21	SW1, Room 1045, BCIT Burnaby Campus	Meeting Called to Order: 19:00
Chairperson: Eric Steinson		Minutes Recorded By: Jason Rako

Members in Attendance (PEs, <i>students</i> , <u>guests</u>)
Jason Rako, Eric Steinson, Dave Paulin, Johnson Wong, Dave Ewanchook, <i>Darrick Cheung, Erfan Atrchi</i>

Agenda Item	Presented By	Actions / Outcomes	Motioned, Second, Carried
1.0 Introduction of New Members and Guests	Eric Steinson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New members were introduced and recorded in the meeting ledger book. 	
2.0 Open addition to, and approval of, today's agenda	Eric Steinson and Jason Rako	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agenda accepted as presented. 	

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3.0 Circulation of the previous meeting minutes		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes Reviewed. Minutes are on the ipevancouver.ca website. 		
4.0 Business arising from previous meeting minutes		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion of the format of the minutes. Perhaps there's room for improvement? 		
5.0 Approval of the previous meeting minutes		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The February 2017 minutes were not approved in a proper "motion, second, carried". The March meeting minutes should be reviewed and properly accepted at the April 2017 meeting. 		
6.0 Correspondence		Inbound:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
		Outbound:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
7.0 Up-coming Events	David Paulin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BLRBAC at the River Rock Casino in Richmond. The technical session and dinner is taking place on April 26th. Jensen Boilers is having a biomass workshop in Seattle. This is taking place on September 22 and 23. Attending the workshop is free; the hotel accommodations, not so much. 		

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8.0 Area and Director's Reports	BC Area Director's Report David Paulin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The IPE National is moving along with its rebranding and marketing work. This includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A new website template ○ Professional power point templates • IPECC is looking for volunteers to attend its annual meeting taking place on June 18 to 21, 2017. These meetings are costly to attend; perhaps an individual's workplace can sponsor someone to attend? • Members are reminded that they can get a 10% discount at Discount Car and Truck Rental. Please contact the Vancouver IPE for more information. 	
	National President's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aside from the marketing initiative, there's not much to report. 	
	Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The treasurer reports that our accounts are in good order 	

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	Executive Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Some Vancouver IPE members are behind in their dues. ○ There is a national “go-list” of members that will be dropped. ○ Dues pay the bills to support the IPE’s continued work. 	
9.0 Committee Reports	Employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment in the field has slowed down. Those looking for employment will need to present themselves as a cut-above the competition. 	
	Legislation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministerial Order 65 provides a provision for the recognition of power engineering candidates with foreign credentials. Eric Steinson is the only IPE member on the BC advisory panel on foreign qualification recognition. 	
	BCIT Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparing for exams, as usual. 	
	Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BCIT has begun laying the ground work for the Bachelor of Technology program; also referred to as the second-class power engineering program. 	

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10.0 New Business		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Vancouver IPE mourns the passing of Jim Young, who championed energy management and encouraged power engineers to seriously consider opportunities in building energy management. It was noted that Langara has an energy management course 	
11.0 Presentation	Eric Steinson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eric presented on the British Columbia Ministerial Order 65, recently issued the BC Provincial Government. There are changes that have added ambiguity. For example, the assessment of pressure-vessel welders. There are additions that allow the provincial safety manager to have greater power over the terms and conditions on issued certificate. There are additions that may change the balance of liabilities between the BCSCA, plant owners, and power engineers. 	
12.0 Presentations	Eric Steinson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An overview of WHMIS 2015 (safety) Ministerial Order 65 has been announced by the BC government. More discussions are planned in the March 2017 meeting. 	

Meet Adjourned (Time: 20:20) Next Meeting: BCIT Burnaby, Room 1045 SW1 At 19:00			
President:	Eric Steinson, PE	Secretary:	Jason Rako

Appendix and Attachments